

# HOUGHTON CORRIDOR Roadway Widening Old Vail/Mary Ann Cleveland Way Intersection Improvements

Open House February 24, 2009









#### **Project Overview**

Historically, the Houghton Corridor has served Pima County and the City of Tucson as a two-lane rural arterial connecting I-10 with the eastern portions of the community.

The rapidly developing southeast has increased the demand for access to the corridor. This Trend is expected to continue and even accelerate over the coming decades.

As early as 2001, several long range plans were initiated to address these concerns and make recommendations for future design and construction.



#### **Houghton Corridor Planning**

- The <u>Houghton Area Master Plan</u> (HAMP) is a master plan for future growth of the community south of Irvington
- ADOT's <u>Houghton Road Corridor Study</u> (HRC) looked specifically at the transportation issues along the entire corridor.
- The RTA authorized funding for transportation needs
  - Improved cross-town mobility, reduce congestion, improved safety and more alternative mode choices.





#### **Corridor Design**

- City of Tucson/Regional Transportation Authority
   (RTA) Concept Design
  - Combined all the information from previous studies
  - Collected hundreds of public comments from 42 formal meetings (8 open houses, 14 CDRC meetings, 20 small group meetings)
  - Made design modifications to address many comments



#### **Current Design Status**

 Concept design for the corridor was divided into three segments:

Southern: I-10 to Valencia COMPLETE

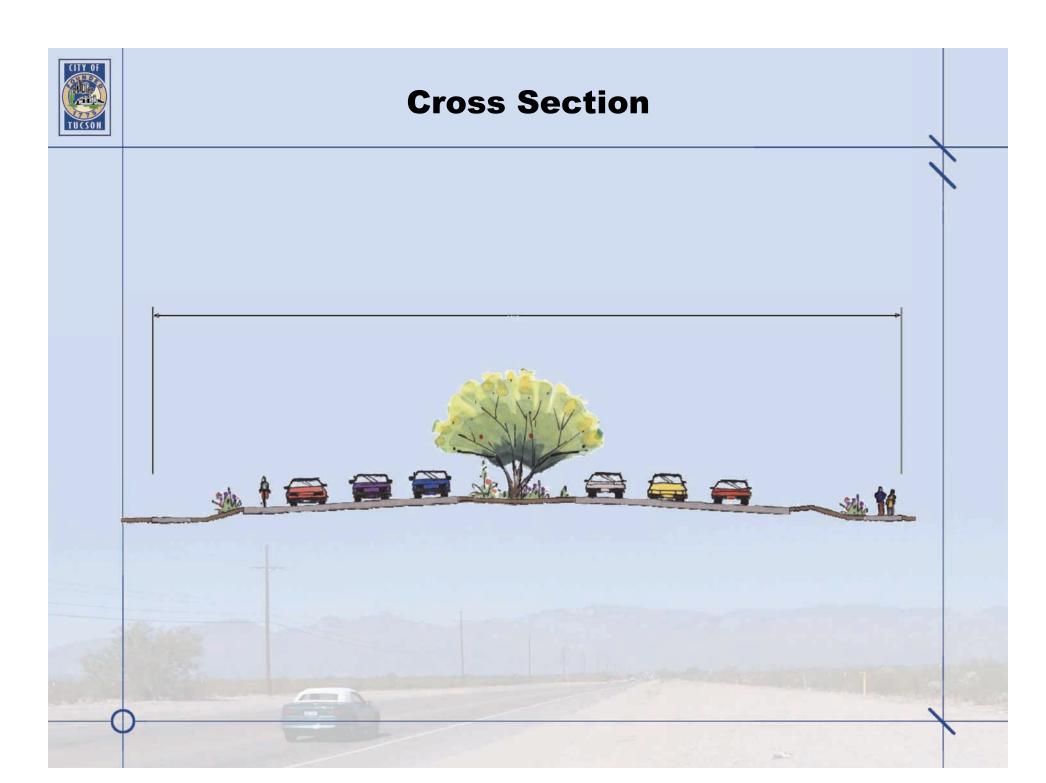
Central: Valencia to 22nd Street COMPLETE

Northern: 22nd to Tanque Verde
22nd to Speedway COMPLETE
Speedway to Tanque Verde IN PROGRESS



#### **What is Planned**

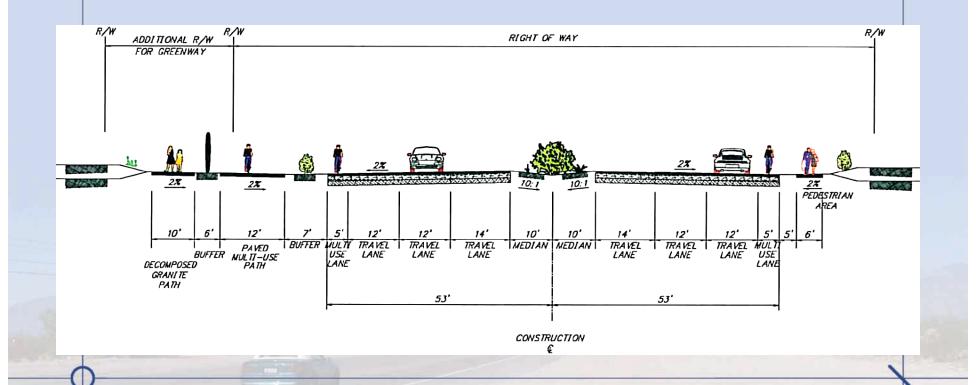
- 6-lane roadway south of Speedway, 4-lanes north of Speedway
- Median for access control
- Dual path "greenway" for pedestrians and bikes
- Improved intersections
- Addition of a second bridge over the Pantano and Agua
   Caliente Washes, as well as the Tanque Verde Creek
- Improved drainage
- Curbed north of Irvington, uncurbed south of Irvington
- Maintain desert feel with native landscaping, water harvest where possible





#### **Cross Section**

#### SOUTH OF IRVINGTON

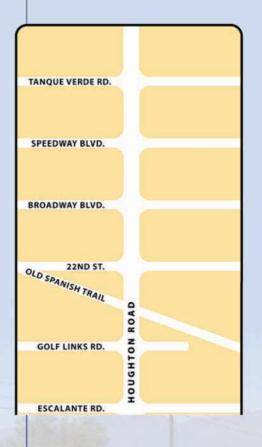


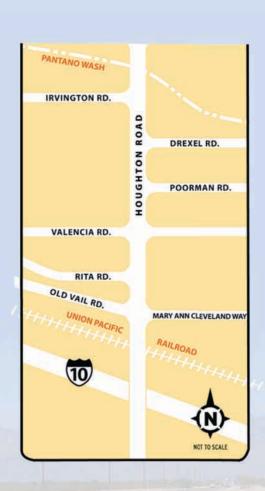


#### **Implementation Plan**

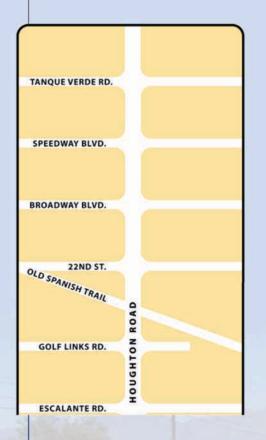
- The next phase of the project will take the design from concept to completion and then into construction.
- An implementation plan was developed to estimate when and where construction could begin. This effort coordinates the RTA funding availability over the next 15 years with critical need areas, and design challenges.

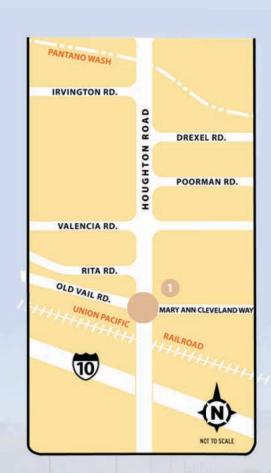






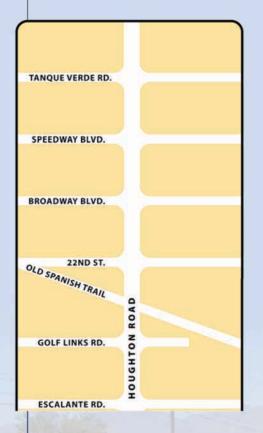






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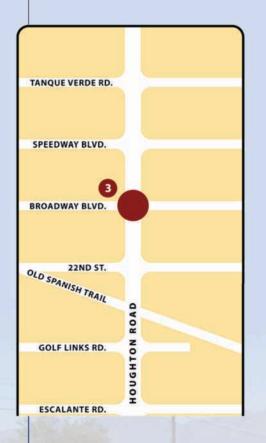






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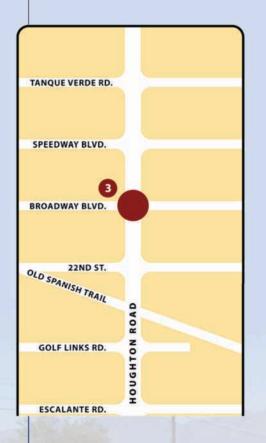






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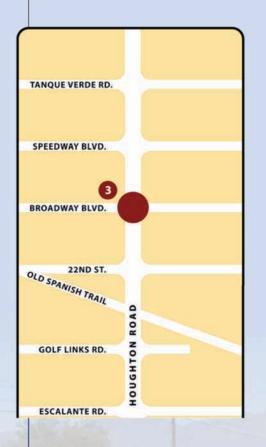






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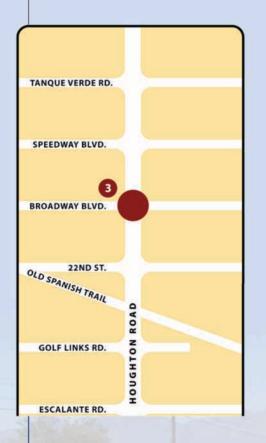






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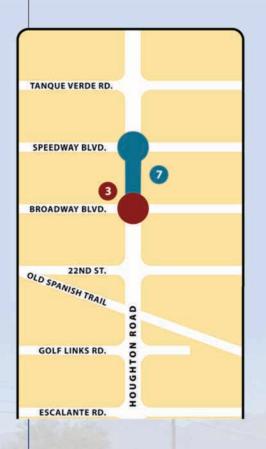






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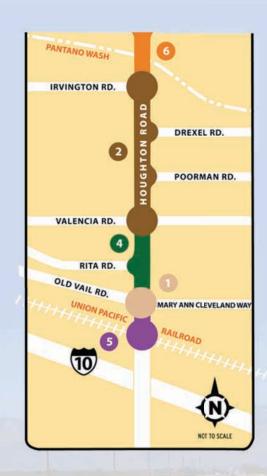




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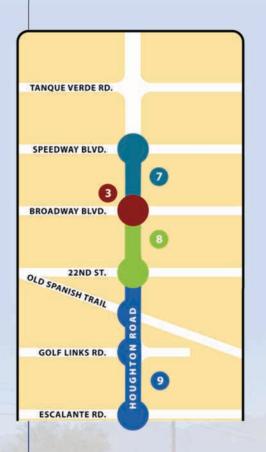






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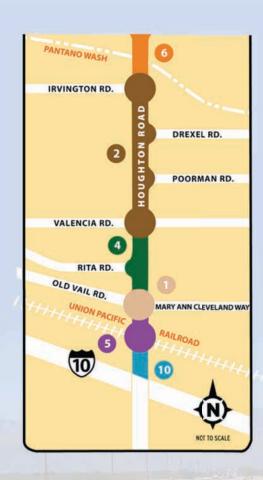




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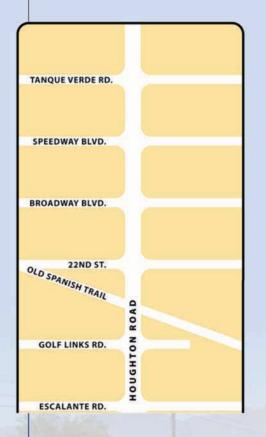


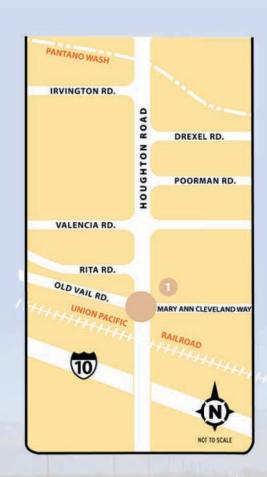


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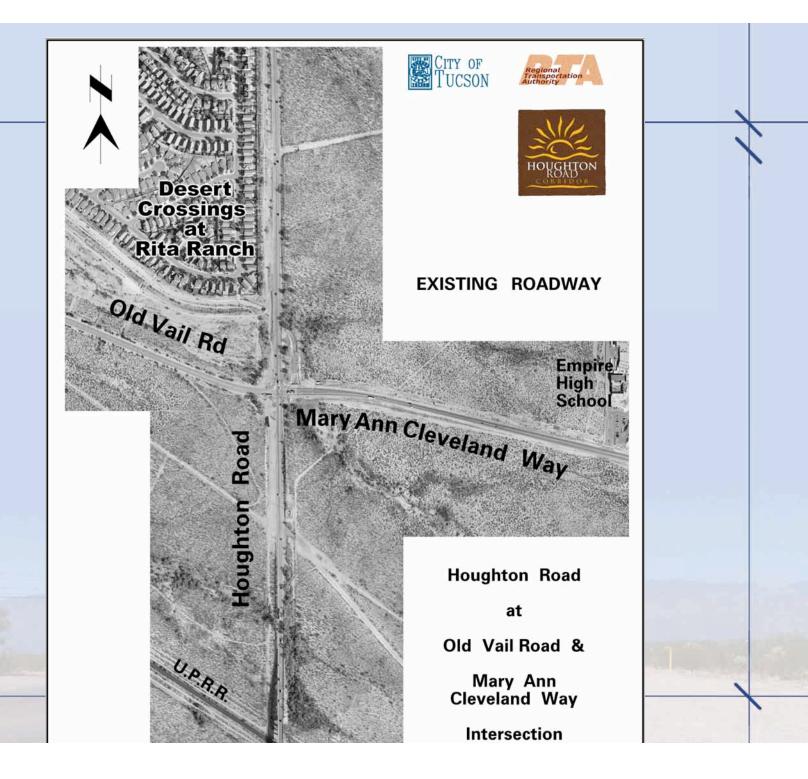
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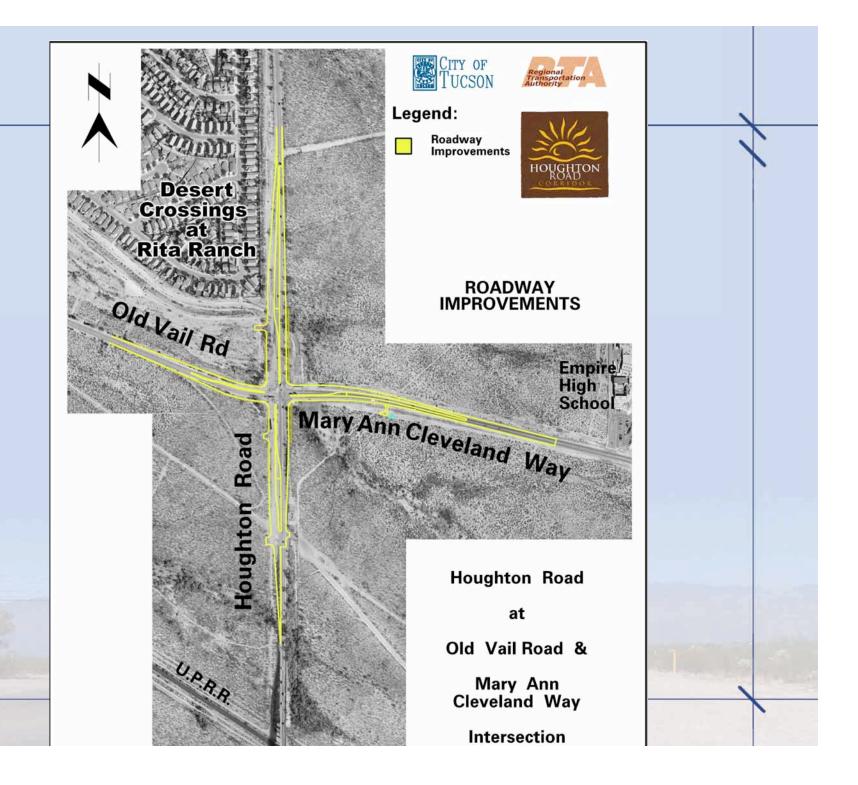


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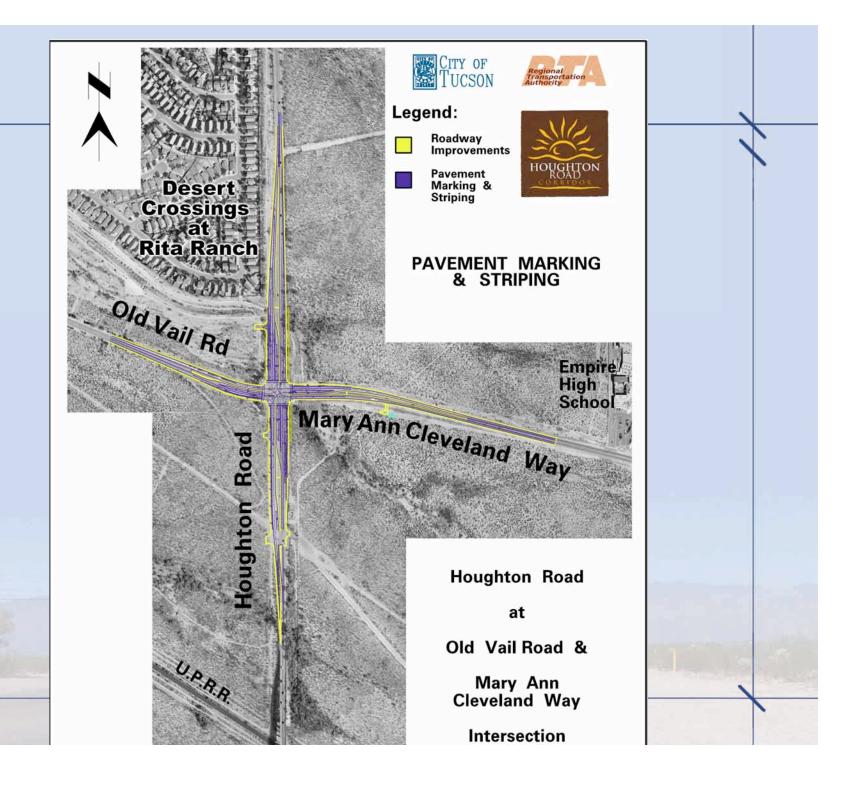




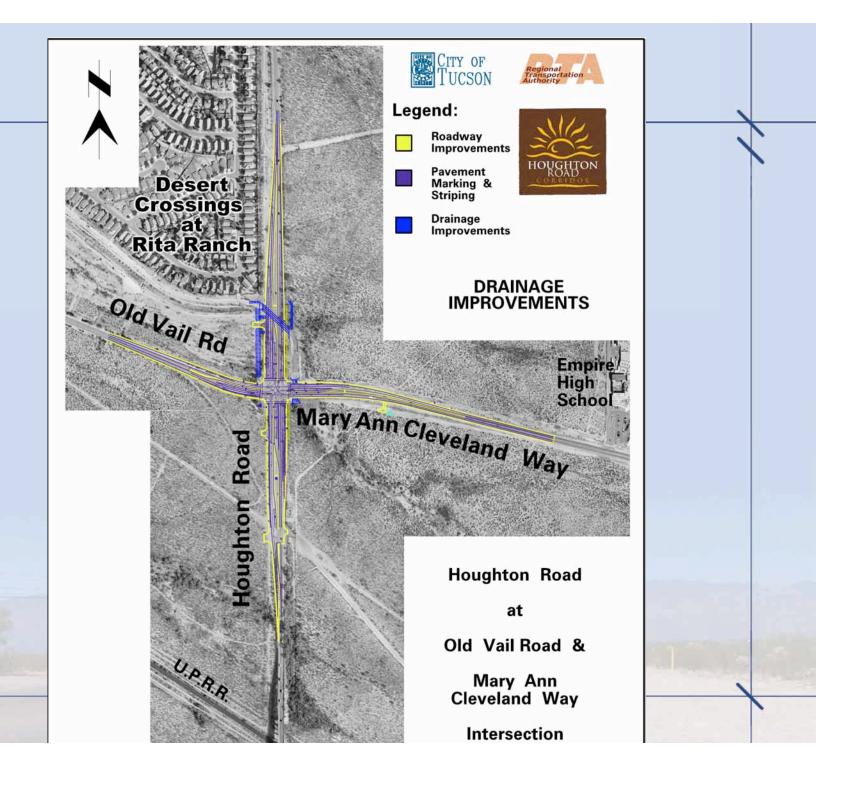


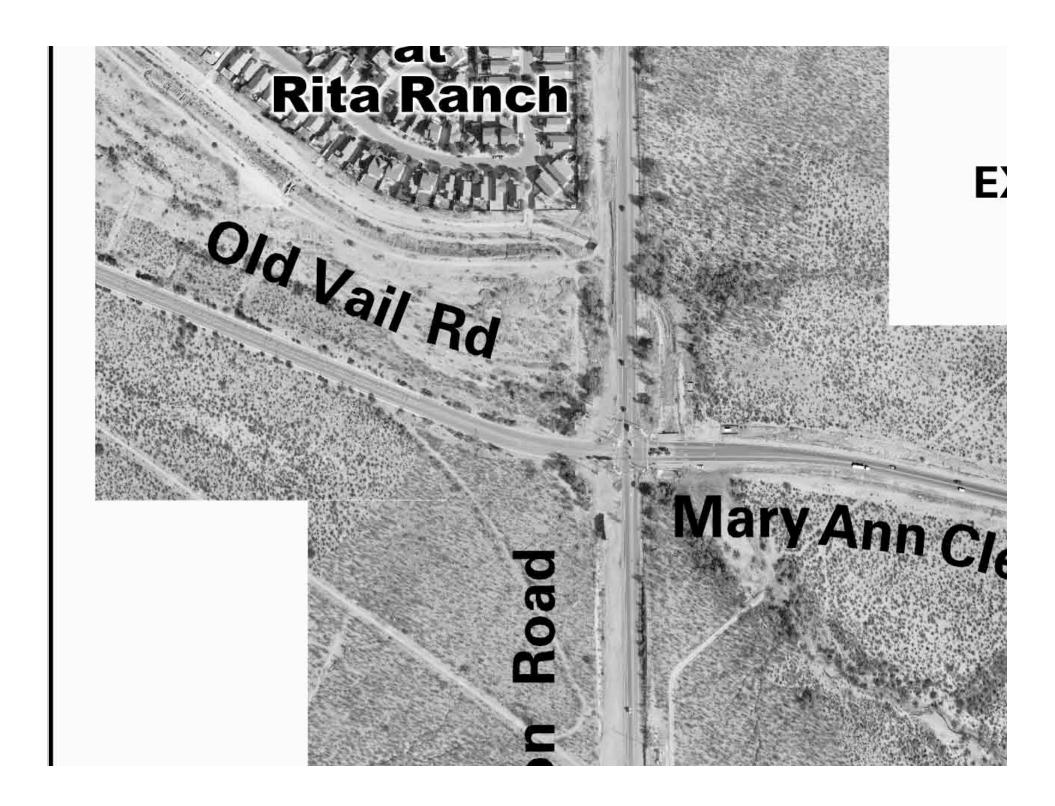


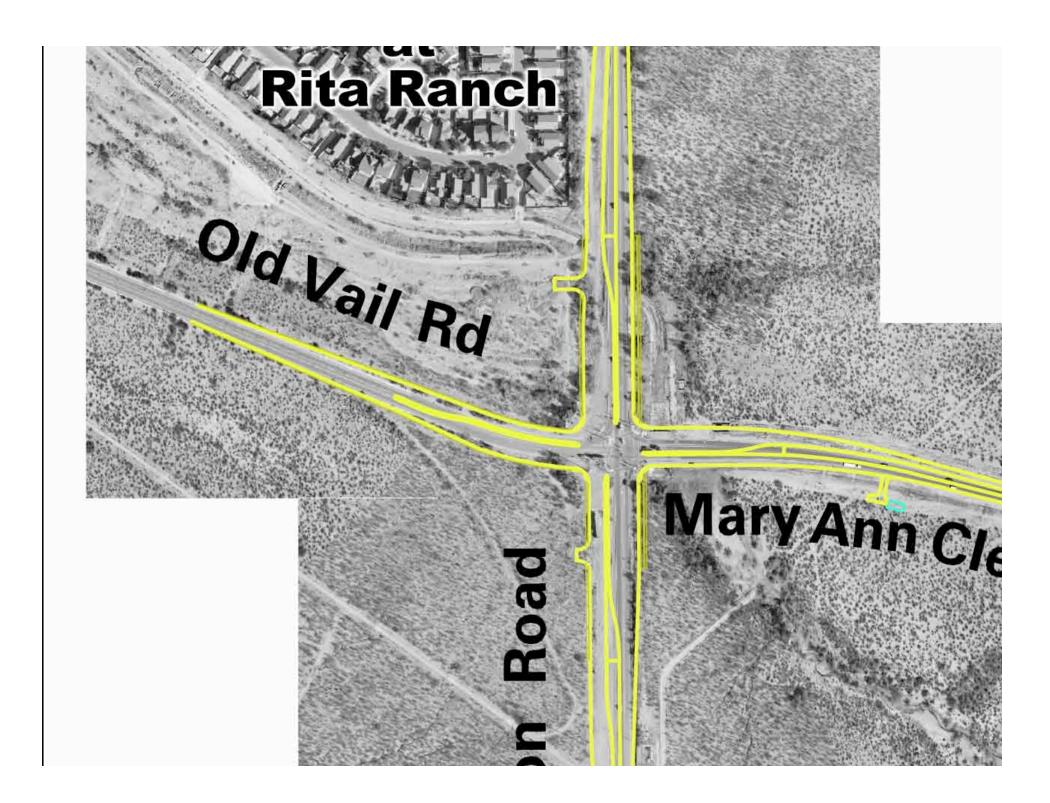


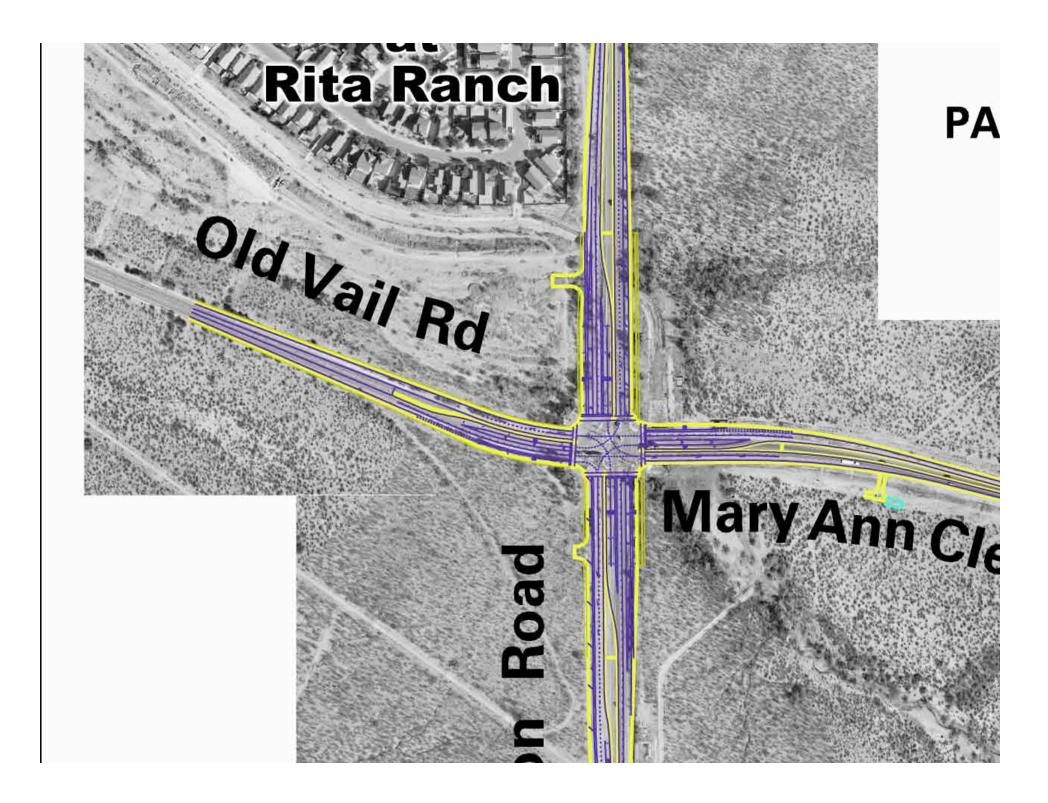


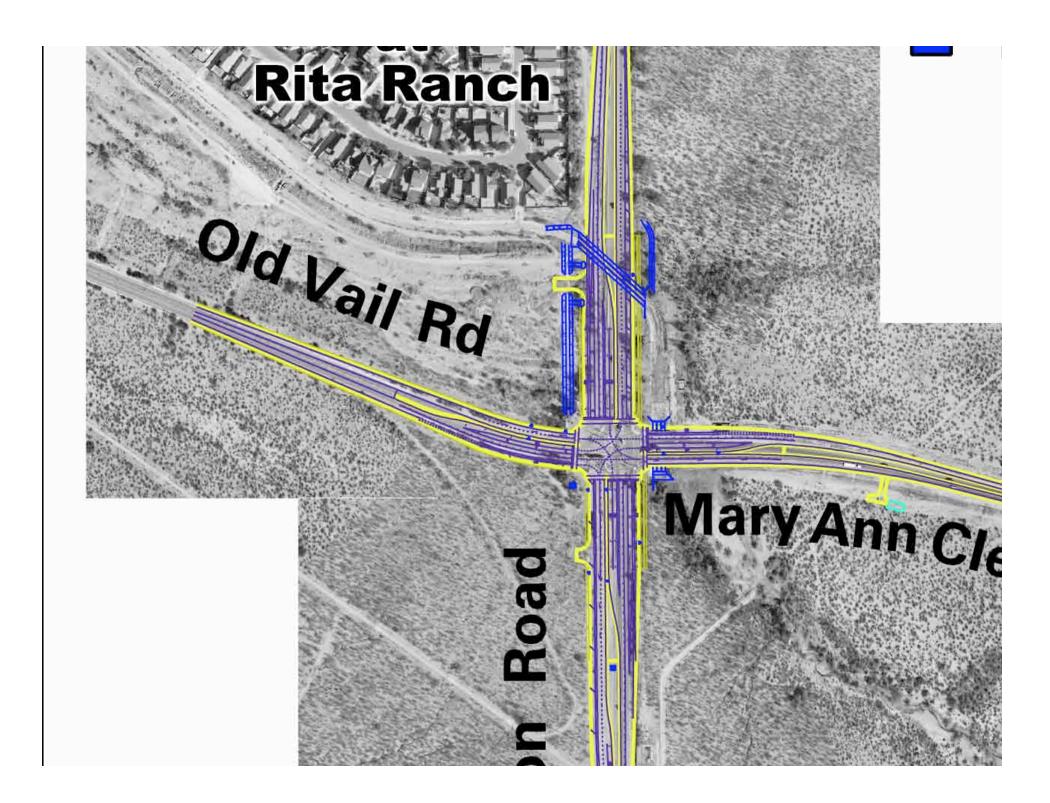


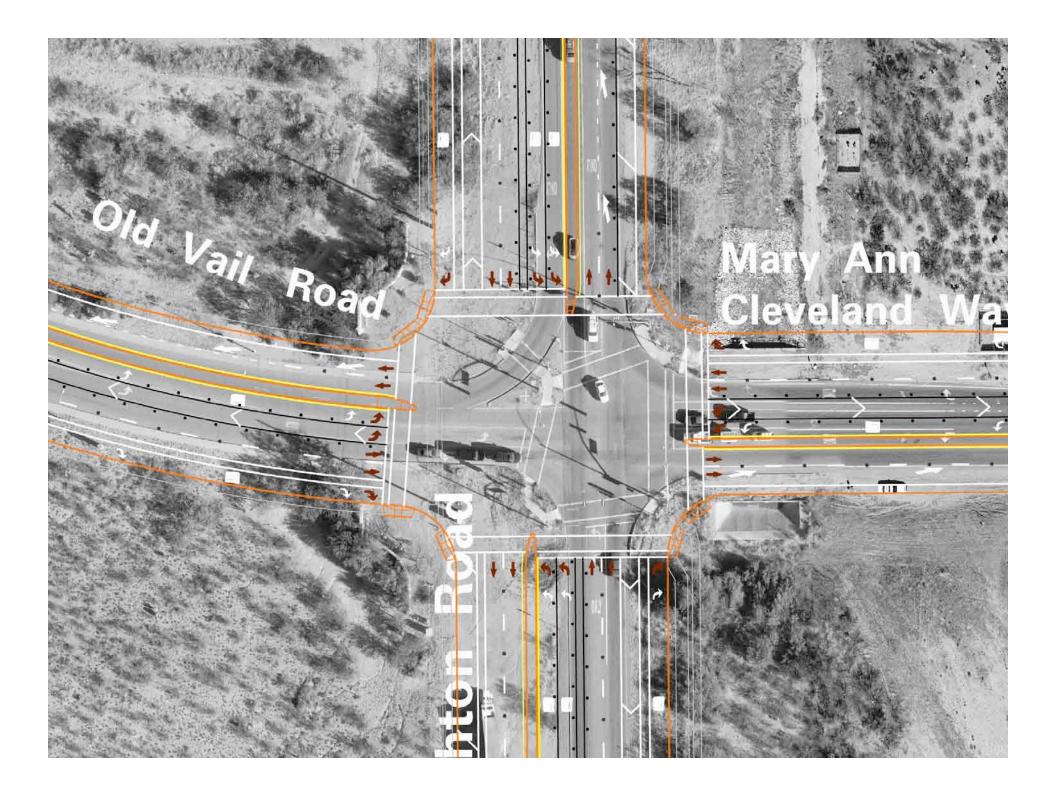














#### **Construction Schedule**

- Construction is estimated to take 6 to 8 months.
- Construction start is still dependant on utility relocations, State Land acquisition, and environmental clearances.
- We estimate utility work will begin at the beginning of April and construction will be in full gear by June.



#### **Construction Phasing**

#### Phase I

- Utility work
- Storm drain installation
- West half of box culvert, removals, earthwork, curb, ABC and base paving

#### Phase II

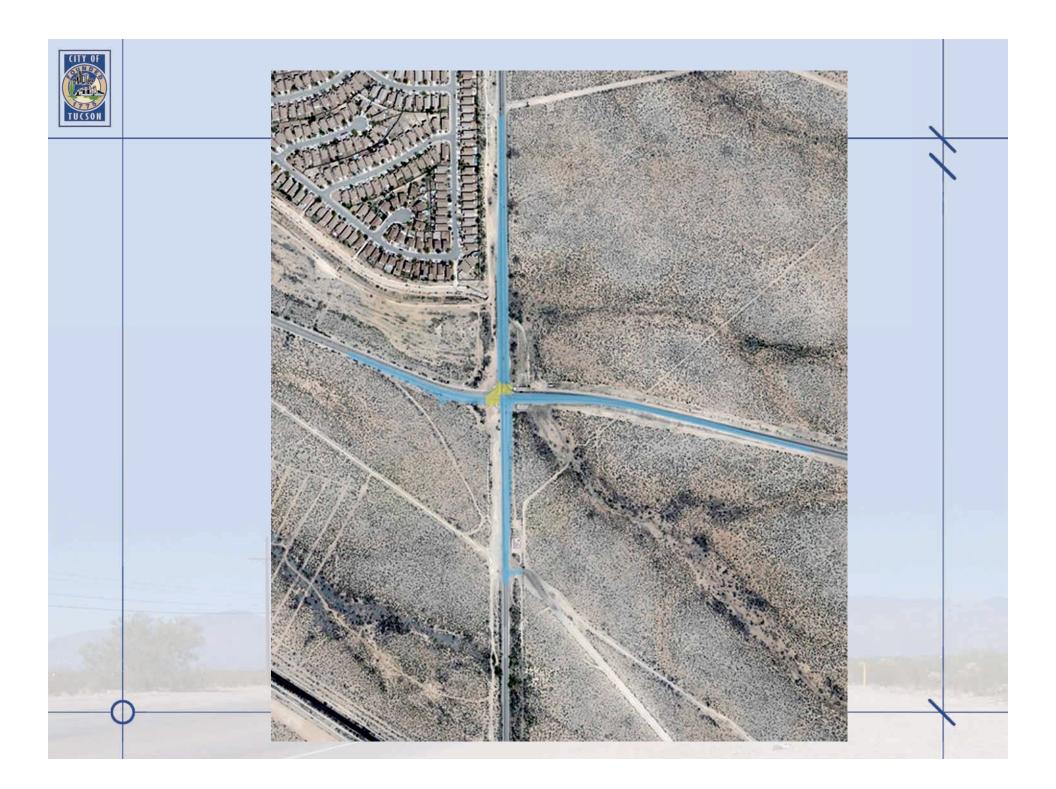
- East side removals, earthwork
- East half box culvert, ABC and base paving

# Phase III

- Final Pavement Lift
- Striping and signage







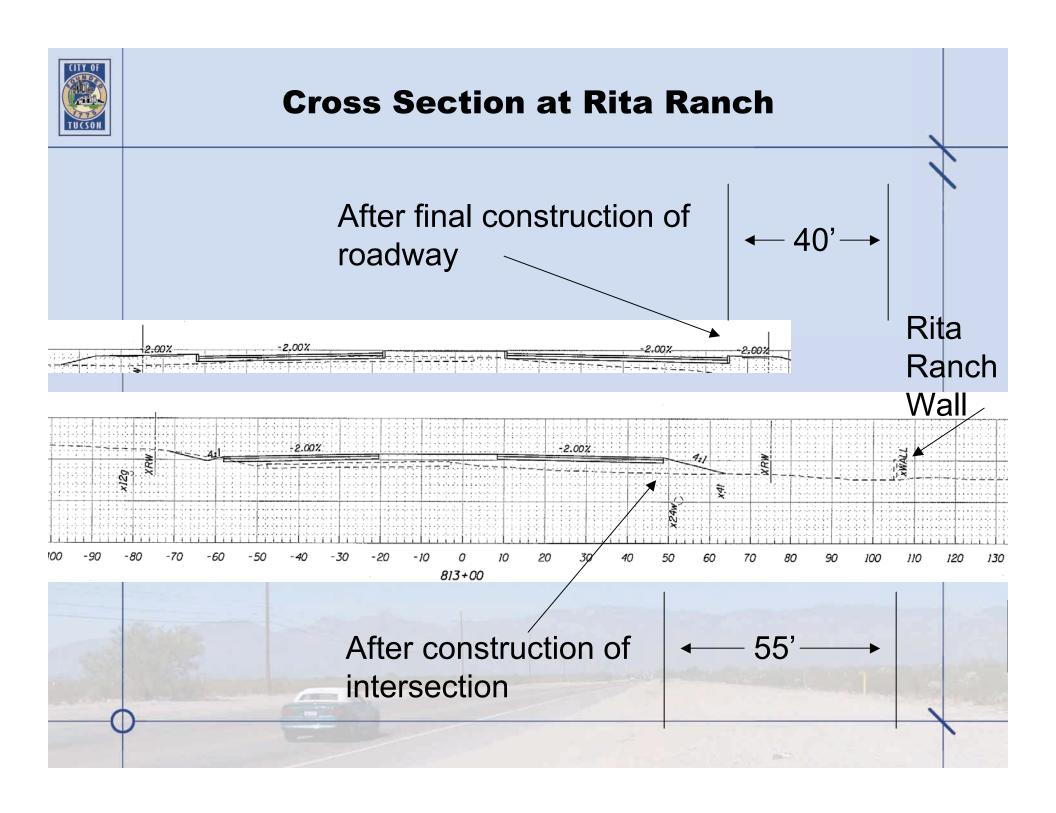


#### **Construction of Intersection**

# Design Consultant- EEC Contractor- Borderland

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# **Q&A**

